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## VISIT TO CANADA BY INDIAN MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Barbara McDougall, announced today that the Minister of External Affairs for the Republic of India, His Excellency Madhavsinh Solanki, will be making an official visit to Ottawa and Montreal from October 1 to October 3.

"Canada and India have maintained a long relationship through the Commonwealth and the United Nations," said Mrs. McDougall. "This visit will allow us to discuss ways in which Canada can assist India in its efforts to reform its economy, to seek to enhance trade opportunities between the two countries and to exchange views on world issues of mutual interest," added the Minister.

While in Ottawa, Minister Solanki will also be meeting the Minister for International Trade, the Honourable Michael Wilson, the Minister for Multiculturalism and Citizenship, the Honourable Gerry Weiner, and senior parliamentarians.

In Montreal, Minister Solanki will follow a business program and will attend a function hosted by the Quebec government.

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